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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

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JANET SHALWITZ,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.)
HEALTH INITIATIVES FOR YOUTH,)
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE)
COMPANY, UNUM LIFE INSURANCE)
COMPANY OF AMERICA, and DOES 1)
through 20.)
Defendants.)

CASE NO. **CV 08 3672**

**DEFENDANT UNUM LIFE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
AMERICA'S DECLINATION TO
PROCEED BEFORE A UNITED
STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

TO THE HONORABLE COURT AND THE INTERESTED PARTIES HERETO:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that defendants UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA respectfully decline to proceed before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in this proceeding and request the matter be assigned to an United States District Court Judge.

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